MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): Yes, Sir.

Irrigation works in the Mavelikara taluk.

178. ✻**MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN** (*Mavelikara*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the names of canals the investigations of which have been completed by the Irrigation Department in the Mavelikara taluk, with the dates on which the investigation was completed and the estimated expenditure with regard to each of such works:

(*b*) the works which could be commenced during the current year (1111); and

(*c*) the amount that is expected to be spent for irrigation works in the Mavelikara taluk during 1111?

MR. G. B. E TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer, Roads, Buildings and Irrigation*): (*a*) (1) Constructing a sluice in the channel from the Kollakadavu river to the Thazhakara *punja* fields. Investigation completed in July 1934. Estimate amount Rs. 1,760.

(2) Improvements to the *todu* from Pantalam south to Mavara *punja* in Thonnallur and Pantalam *pakuthies*. Investigation completed in February 1935. Estimate amount Rs. 2,425.

(3) Closing breaches on the banks of the Achencoil river, forming flood banks at Karippuchira, Kuzhimonchira and Pullamadamchira in Thonnallur *pakuthi*. Investigation completed in December 1934. Estimate amount Rs. 12,800.

(4) Construction of an additional groyne in the Achencoil river. Investigation completed in 1934. Estimate amount Rs. 6,146.

(5) Repairs to damages to paddy fields on the eastern side of the Thodiyur Arattukadavu *todu*, Thekkekara *pakuthi*. Investigation completed in Kumbhom 1110. Estimate amount Rs. 144.

(6) Removing silt and slips from the newly cut out-let of the Karingali *chal* in Nooranad *pakuthi*. Investigation completed in 1110 M. E. Estimate amount Rs. 1,035.

(7) Cutting a new channel at the head of the Parayankari channel. Investigation completed in 1110. Estimate amount Rs. 11,500.

(8) Cutting a *todu* connecting Kallattu *punja* and raising and forming the bund at Puthenkandam *chira* at Poozhikad. Investigation conducted in 1111 and a detailed report submitted by the Irrigation Division Officer. Agreeing with his recommendation, the Chief Engineer has allowed the matter to lie over pending construction of flood-banks in the Achencoil river and watching their effect.

(9) Providing inlet to the irrigation channels in Ennakad. Investigation completed in Dhanu 1111 and an estimate for Rs. 1,090 received from the Chief Engineer is under the consideration of Government.

(*b*) Items 1 and 3 of part (*a*).

(*c*) Rs. 7,050 nearly.

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MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara*): With regard to investigations completed in 1110, may I know why the work was not completed in 1111?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer, Roads, Buildings and Irrigation*): May I know, Sir, which work the member is referring to.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara*): With regard to item No. 2, may I know why the work was not commenced in 1111?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer, Roads, Buildings and Irrigation*): First of all the estimate was prepared and sent by the Division Officer, Quilon, and later on by the Irrigation Division Officer when the Minor Irrigation Division was formed. He had to prepare a fresh estimate and that has been submitted to Government.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara*): With regard to item No. 4?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer, Roads, Buildings and Irrigation*): The estimate has been sanctioned by the Government in May.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara*): What about item No 5?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer, Roads, Buildings and Irrigation*): The works have been completed.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara*): What about item No. 6?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer, Roads, Buildings and Irrigation*): The work has now been completed.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara*): Item No. 7?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer, Roads, Buildings and Irrigation*): Some work was done in that channel and it was found that it had many curves. So a new channel was cut and it was found that it carried so much water and that it would break away the banks. So, it is proposed to investigate and endeavour to get a better line, so that the flow will be controlled.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara*): Are all these works to be commenced as soon as the administrative sanction is obtained from Government?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer, Roads, Buildings and Irrigation*): Yes, Sir.

Restoration of Minor Irrigation works in Nedumangad.

179. ✻MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) when the "Kaladikonathu *chira*" and "Kakathottil *ana*" were restored;

(*b*) for what purpose they were restored;

(*c*) at what cost they were restored;

(*d*) whether, even when the work of restoration was under progress, the people of the locality have petitioned the Government and the authorities of the P. W. D. that the work of restoration was not carried on properly;

(*e*) whether water cess is levied for the work restored;

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